Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Tuesday 25 Jan 2022 until 23:59 on Wednesday 26 Jan 2022

Forecast Issued on Monday 24 Jan 2022 at 13:45 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for synoptic setup this week. Medium confidence for extent of cloud and hill fog on Tuesday and Wednesday morning. Low confidence for rain details on Friday and Saturday.

Headline for Tuesday 25 Jan 2022: Patchy rain or summit snow, turning persistent through the afternoon, with a strengthening southwesterly wind.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 25 Jan 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
FOG	FOG	FOG	FOG				FOG
Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog	Sleet	Sleet	Sleet	Fog
Precipitation probability							
20%	20%	20%	20%	50%	80%	70%	10%

Forecast for Tuesday 25 Jan 2022

Weather: Patchy rain or summit snow continues in the northern ranges through the morning, whilst drier conditions remain in the south. A band of more persistent, mainly light rain or snow on the summits will moves southeast across the area from early afternoon, giving 3-4 hours of light rainfall. Occasional hill fog above 500 m for much of the day, especially in the north.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20%.

Visibility: Poor in extensive hill fog with cloud down to 500 m, occasionally 300 m. Good elsewhere, lowering to moderate through the afternoon in rainfall.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	18/23 S	18/23 S	21/27 S	22/28 S	22/29 S	29/38 SW	30/40 SW	27/37 SW	24/34 SW
900	12/17 SW	13/18 SW	14/19 SW	16/22 S	16/22 S	19/28 SW	21/30 SW	21/30 W	18/27 W
600	19/24 SW	19/24 SW	19/24 SW	21/26 SW	20/27 S	26/35 SW	25/34 SW	22/31 SW	19/28 SW
300	10/16 SW	10/17 S	11/17 S	11/19 S	12/19 S	15/24 SW	14/23 SW	11/19 SW	9/16 SW
Glen	9/18 SW	8/18 SW	10/19 S	10/21 SW	10/20 S	13/25 SW	12/23 SW	10/22 SW	9/20 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	0/-6	-1/-7	-1/-8	-2/-9	-2/-10	-2/-10	-1/-8	-0/-8	-1/-8
900	2/-2	2/-3	1/-4	0/-5	0/-6	0/-6	1/-5	2/-4	2/-4
600	4/-1	3/-2	3/-3	2/-3	2/-4	2/-4	3/-3	4/-2	4/-2
300	6/3	5/2	5/1	4/1	4/0	4/0	5/1	6/3	6/3
Glen	7/5	7/4	6/3	6/3	6/3	6/2	6/3	8/5	8/5
Freezing Level*	1300m	1200m	1100m	1000m	900m	1100m	1300m	1200m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Expect a notable wind chill through the afternoon with a combination of stronger winds and damp conditions.

Forecast for Wednesday 26 Jan 2022

Weather: A dry but breezy morning with strong west to southwest winds on the summits, and occasional hill fog above 500 m. A band of heavy rain will cross the Southwest Highlands through the afternoon and evening, bringing hill fog above 400 m and west to southwest gale force winds.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly becoming westerly 35-45 mph gusting 50-60 mph (afternoon and evening).

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 50% in the morning, becoming 10% or less in the afternoon.

Visibility: Poor in occasional hill fog down to 400-500 m. Otherwise good lowering to moderate in rain in the afternoon.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 5 rising to plus 8 Celsius.
At 800m: Zero rising to plus 3 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1100 m rising above summits through the afternoon, lowering 1100 m by midnight.

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